

Executive Proclamation

State of South Dakota

Office of the Governor

Whereas, South Dakota was founded with hard work, perseverance, dedication to duty, and concern for one's fellow man; and,

Whereas, Kenneth Dragseth is a 1963 graduate of Rutland High School, and went on to earn a bachelor's degree from Gustavus Adolphus College at St. Peter, Minnesota, and a master's degree and Ph.D. from the University of Minnesota; and,

Whereas, Kenneth began his teaching career in Edina, Minnesota, as a middle school mathematics teacher in 1967, then became assistant superintendent for secondary education, junior high school principal and dean of students before becoming superintendent in 1992, for the 7,100-student school system; and,

Whereas, Kenneth has been selected as the 2003 National Superintendent of the Year, the 16th superintendent to receive this prestigious award; and,

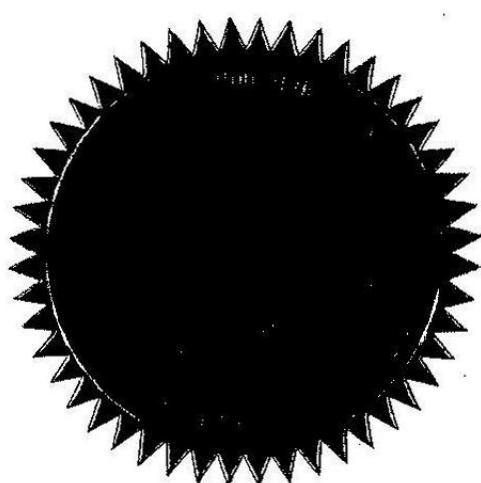
Whereas, As the National Superintendent of the Year, Kenneth will receive a gold medallion, a \$2,000 U.S. Savings Bond, and a jacket emblazoned with the NSOY emblem, and a very lucky Rutland High School senior will benefit from Kenneth's hard work and good fortune as a \$10,000 scholarship will be awarded in Kenneth's honor; and,

Whereas, Kenneth will be the 2003 Rutland High School Commencement guest speaker, he will make the presentation in person at the graduation ceremony on May 24th at 2:00 p.m., and for these reasons we honor Mr. Dragseth for his accomplishments and contributions to the Rutland community:

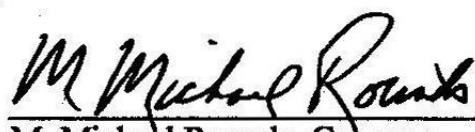
Now, Therefore, I, M, Michael Rounds, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim May 24, 2003, as

KENNETH DRAGSETH DAY

in South Dakota.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Eighth Day of May in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Three.



M. Michael Rounds, Governor

Attest:



Chris Nelson, Secretary of State